MOREGICAL SALES

Mistaken Notions Regarding the Scope of That Work.

Since the explosion at Hell Gate has directed the attention of the whole country to the operations being carried on at trust you will remember that the laborer that point, writes a New York correspondis worthy of his hire." He got \$50,000 ent, it becomes evident that there is very for his fee. great misapprehension regarding the scope of that work. It is apparently believed by many that it is intended to make "a new route to the sea" for steamships and the larger class of vessels. This is a mistake. The East river and the Sound form a crooked and tortuous highway to the ocean, which, under the most favorable circumstances, would be difficult of navigation for our great, unwieldy steamships, which are from 500 to 600 feet long, and draw from twenty to thirty feet of water. Should the rocks at Hell Gate eventually be all removed, the channel would still present obstacles which vessels of this character would not like to encounter. They now have free and easy navigation through the Narrows and around Long Island Sound, the distance being only twelve miles farther than by the Sound route. There is, however, an immense traffic through the Sound, consisting of steamers and sailing-craft, the safety of which is jeopardized by the Hell-Gate obstructions. The immense Boston steamers go that way, but are obliged to so time their departure and arrival as to pass Hell Gate in daylight. Sailing vessels are obliged to avail themselves of certain stages of the tide in order to get through the narrow pass safely. It is no uncommon sight to see the river for miles above Hell Gate tilled with sailing craft at anchor, waiting for the turn of the tide which shall take them through the tortuous channel safely. It is to make this channel available for the present commerce of the Sound that the work is being done; to save time, and prevent the recurrence of disasters which have been so common on those rocks. What has already been done is but a small; art of what is yet to be accomplished. There are other rocks to be removed, qui'e as formidable as those which constituted Hallett's reef. It will take years of submarine blasting to remove these, but, when it is done, it will be a great work accomplished, and will amply repay its cost in the additional safety to shipping which it affords.

Owners of property in Harlem, Astoria and the East river front generally, have been giving countenance to the idea that the steamship interest would be transferred to the vicinity of Hell accommodation of ocean steamships, on the other side of the city; and there is being admitted this year. little danger of these being removed or sacrificed when so little advantage is to

our city has of late greatly increased, only one would get a chance to dress, and the late arrivals are seemingly of a more well-to-do class than the first comleisure. ers, and look as if they had seen more of the world. They do not all carry the Centennial insignia—duster, carpet-bag air on a road in Paisley, England. It and umbrella; there is not so much has operated successfully in every conthe steps of public buildings, and the hackmen are doing a much livelier at a cost of about one cent per mile; and

was estimated by the attendant at the door that at least 1,500 " did" the Executive Mansion this morning before noon. The interior is generally very severely criticised, especially the worn oilcloth, matting, and the bare floors. There are only two or three attendants on duty, and they are busy from morning till night, showing what is to be seen and preventing intrusion into the private portion of the building. When one of the forbidden doors is opened it somebody has had a peep.

They always want to see the library, dining room and President's bed-room. A large party wanted to visit the "kitch-en where the President cooks." Upon being told that it was private a peakedfaced, shrill-voiced female exclaimed, "I guess it belongs to the United States, sable attendant that "the President ought to be allowed some privileges, even if he was the servant of the people." "Ladies and gentlemen," cries the doorkeeper, "if you will wait in the east room a few moments the pri-vate parlors will be opened." When the east room is sufficiently filled, the blue and green rooms are opened and undergo a very thorough inspection. All the public buildings are visited in a like manner, and have to undergo a thorough and critical examination by the bone and sinew of the country and their better halves."- Washington Star.

### Not a Common Carrier.

"Well, you are a nice boy to send on said a woman to a boy who a message, had lost a bundle with which she had intrusted him. The boy struck the atti-tude of an orator, and replied: "Not being a common carrier, and not having entered into a contract with you to carry your parcel for and in consideration of any sum, I have theurred no liability, and am liable to no penalty. If I had undertaken to carry the parcel for my own particular profit, my father even would not have been responsible for its loss (see Butler agt. Basing, 2 C. & P. 614), unless indeed he paid me smaller wages because of the opportunity thus afforded me to make small sums. On Brewster, 1 Pickering (Miss.) 50. But, rising from the law to the equity of the case. I have only to say—"but before he could say it his father had yanked him from the room.

### St. Louis in Luck.

In the County Court in St. Louis, the about the amount of \$16,000, with a like (London).

amount due for the present year. The result obtained on the seven cases in which I have had the honor to represent the county will place in the treasury of St. Louis county a sum exceeding \$10,000,000. I have only to add that I

People and Things. LITTLE MABY NEWTON inherits a good

ientific name. A Pompron (N. J.) man of 92 was born, always lived and has just died in the same house.

THE Times is the only lively news-paper in Philadelphia. It has four libel suits on hand. An Indianapolis dog arrested a burglar

who was operating on his master's residence, the other night. SENATOR DORSEY, of Arkansas, is keep-

ing the St. James Hotel, New York, for Senator Jones, of Nevada A LAKE in Lower California that in 1873 was 150 square miles in area is now

a small pond, and fast dwindling. A young married woman became in-

sane while witnessing a circus performance at Nebraska City, the other day. THE Wisconsin penitentiary is going out of the furniture manufacturing bus-

the manufacture of wagons. A Texas has a musk hog, or peccary, that follows him like a dog. Its kind were once numerous in Texas, and very

inees, and entering more largely into

ferocious in their wild condition. A RUN on the Dry-Dock Savings Bank, of New York city, prompts the Sun to give a list of eleven insolvent savings banks in New York whose doors have been closed within the last five years.

THE Old South Church is covered with posters announcing the merits of the Police Gazette and similar publications, and a stand for the sale of that kind of literature thrives at the door.

Maren, the African dog which faithfully accompanied the body of Dr. Livingstone from the interior to the coast, and was brought to Bombay in November last, by Lieut. Murphy, has died.

MANE a little fence of trust

Around to-day;
Fill the space with loving work,
And therein stay.
Look not through the sheltering bars
Upon fashnorrow.
God will help the stear what comes

COLLEGE and West Point examiners lament the lack of a thorough training in common-school studies that they dis-Gate. There is little probability of this. cover in students presenting themselves. There are millions of dollars invested in for admission to these institutions. Onecover in students presenting themselves docks, piers, warehouses, etc., for the half of the Freshman class at Kenyon College were conditioned in spelling on

PULLMAN, the palace-car man, has given a European lady a pull-back. She asked him why there were no locks on the doors of the ladies' dressing rooms Centennial Visitors at the White House. on the cars, and he told her it was be-The number of Centennial visitors in cause if women could lock themselves in

For more than two montas a street car has been propelled by compressed lunching on the public grounds and on dition of traffic and weather, running its is always filled. It in good weather a surplus of air is left in the tanks.

Ar Ceylon, the headquarters of pearl fishing, the shellfish are sold by the thousand to small speculators, who either open them themselves or retail them to all who are inclined to try their luck, a not speculate more or less.

THE total value of books imported into the United States from Great Britis grabbed, and before it can be closed ain in 1875 was £269,607. We exported to that country during the same year books to the value of £17,452. As some offset to this discrepancy, it must be remembered that the importation was partly made up of old editions and books in foreign languages.

THE New York Herald has concluded that "the brilliant colored fluids which don't it?" They were informed by the decorate the average bar derive the least of their flavors from either grape or grain, but are the fabrication of so-called liquor compounders,' and are, in reality, mixtures compared with which the 'hell broth of Macbeth's witches may be called innocent and nutritious soup."

JOHN WALDEMIKE, of Rochester, married after sixty years of single life. He had rigid ideas of economy, as shown in sending his wife with 3 cent sto get meat for dinner, and 5 cents for wine. All the time his bank account was large, Mrs. Waldemire bore with his penuriousness for three months, and then parted with him; whereupon he hanged himself.

A currous provision of French eti-quette is that which exempts the Duke d'Aumale from "requesting the honor" of the Marshat-President's company, as all ordinary entertainers who are in a position to extend invitations at all are stones. From this an almost suffocating expected. The Duke, being of royal blood, is only expected to request "the pleasure" of seeing the President of the Republic.

hot steam arises, which soon produces a profuse perspiration. The patient is then taken out and plunged in the cold running stream near at hand, or in win-Republic.

### British Food-Supplies.

what we get is sent from the United Press. States, the total import for 1875 being 20,500,000 cwt., or three times greater this point I will only quote Dwight agt. than the import ten years ago. The quantity of cheese imported has nearly doubled during the last eight years, the home supply being wholly inadequate to meet the ordinary requirements for our death from disease of the heart in the consumption. Eggs were sent to us streets of Galveston is announced, that last year, chiefly from France, to the number of 741,000,000—that is, 9 per which become so popular was invented cent. greater than the quantity sent in by Judge Walker, a well-known journalother day, the Hon, F. J. Bowman made 1874. Five years back the number was ist of New Orleans, while making the the following report: "I have the honor | but 400,000,000, and this rapid increase | dispatches from the scene of battle sento report that I met with full and com- still continues, although poultry-farming sational as possible. Such is history! plete success in establishing, by a decree is now being more carefully attended to of the United States Circuit Court, the among us than it used to be. The price claims of St. Louis county against the of eggs, however, has fallen from 8s 7d "Some strangers, actuated by curiosity, Pacific Railroad Company for \$765,000, per long hundred to 8: 3d. More pota-principal and interest. I have also suc-toes arrived here in 1875 than in the bridge leading from the main land to ceeded in obtaining a decree of the same previous year by 710,000 cwt. Most of Bath Island, a few days ago, to test if it court this day made subjecting to taxa- these potatoes are set down as coming | could survive a trip over the American tion the capital stock of national banks. from France, but a considerable quan- fall. The goose made the voyage in The taxation previously enjoined tity come really via France from the safety, and was subsequently secured amounts, with accumulated interest, to south of Europe.—Land and Water uninjured by a ferryman below the cata-

BEHEADED.

truple Execution in Japar A correspondent of the Edinburgh Courant writing from Tokio, Japan, thus describes an execution of which he was

a witness: The prisoners were scated in baskets made of bambo, each bornes on the shoulders of two strong men. The place of execution was raised high above the road, and seemed to be a flat cut out from the hill, the high bank on the other side of the road affording the spectators a good view of the proceedings. The prisoners were blindfolded on the road in front of the bill, and were then brought up to the raised ground and the kagos placed down. Refreshments, in the shape of fish, omelets, cake and wine, were then handed by the attendants to the prisoners, who all seemed to partake quite freely. The pr soners commenced to converse freely among themselves, cailing each other by name, and exhorting one another to behave firmly at the last moment. At the center of the ground was a hole about one foot deep and about one foot in diameter. The first criminal was led to the mat and made to kneel. The executioner prepared his sword by pouring water down the edge. The prisoner's body was bared down to his waist, and his arms were held behind his back by a strong young fellow, who gained more command over the prisoner's body by kneel ing also and pressing his right foot against the feet of the prisoner. Another man settled the bandage afresh over the eyes and ear, while another drew his neck out to the utmost, holding the head over the hole until all was ready, when he withdrew. A slap on the back, just below the neck, intended to give rigidity to the muscles, was also the signal for the executioner to perform his task. He made his bow to the officials, and gave the coup de grace with an ease and certainty that would have excited the envy of any swordsman. The instant the sword had passed through, the man behind the body pressed the trunk for-ward into the hole. The executioner retired with a bow, and in an instant after the trunk and head, streaming with blood, were conveyed to a side-place to await their removal by friends. The second prisoner, when approached, stated he was ready, and the other two prisoners shouted to him Shikari ike! (be tirm), to which he replied undamtedly, Shikari ari (1 am tirm). His mode of treatment was similar to the first, but he shouted to the last, telling the others be was just going, and that he was firm. while they repeated the same exhortation. A new executioner officiated and advanced to the front, and upon the signal being given he made his bow, and with a similar dexterity performed his horrid task. The third prisoner was a boy, who showed not the least emotion when informed that his turn had come,

but shouted to the last prisoner. "I am going!" who replied, "Be firm." was a painful sight to witness this slight boy led forward to the mat, but his courage never forsook him an instant, and he marched as though he were being led for an ordinary walk rather than to the edge of the hole from which he would be instantly precipicated into the other world. He spoke firmly to the finish. The last prisoner, not with standing his bravado, appeared excited, his face being very red. When taken from the kago he marched with a peculiar strut, throwing his feet out and holding himself quite erect. My impression was that the sa given the prisoners was drugged to a certain extent, and that the last man, being of a peculiar temperament, the wine affected him differently. Having no friends remaining to address himself to, he sang a song, saying he would follow the others, and that he thanked the people for coming to see him. He then allowed his head to be rebandaged. There seemed to be more than ordinary time in arranging this man for the executioner. This latter functionary having

He had to take a second cut and afterwards to saw upwards. The Sweating Treatment.

approached before the time, the old fel-

low who prepared the prisoner's neck asked him to wait. This seemed to

slightly disconcert the executioner and,

instead of performing his work with

cleanness of stroke, he cut somewhat

high and only partly severed the head.

While coming down the Rosebud through the deserted Sioux villages I noticed the remains of a great many sweat or medicine tepees or lodges, which shows that the Sioux must have had a great many wounded in the Rosebud and Little Horn battles. Their treatment for sickness or wounds consists almost entirely in the sweating process, very much like our modern Turkish bath.

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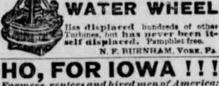
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